

II. Claims 3, 4, 7, and 8, drawn to a method for listing on a stock exchange with exchange shares and hosting a predetermined number of market shares, classified in class 705, subclass 35.

III. Claims 9, 10, and 11, drawn to a method and system for performing the currency exchange by placing a request with a broker and determining an amount of native currency that can be received, classified in class 705, subclass 39.”

The Applicant provisionally elects for prosecution the invention of Group I (claims 1, 2, and 6). However, the Applicant believes that the Restriction Requirement is improper and therefore makes this election with traverse.

The Applicant respectfully submits that, as stated in MPEP §803, for a restriction requirement to be proper “there are two criteria for restriction between patentably distinct inventions” as follows:

- (1) The inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed; and
- (2) There would be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction is not required.

The Applicant respectfully submits that: all groups of restricted claims are properly presented in the same application; undue diverse searching would not be required; and all claims should be examined together. Accordingly, examination of the claims of Groups II and III, in addition to the claims of Group I, would place no additional “serious” burden on the Examiner as examination of the claims of Groups II and III would not require undue diverse searching beyond that which would be necessary for examination of the claims of Group I.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that the restriction requirement

should be withdrawn and that all claims should be examined on the merits.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required for this response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 3892-4003.

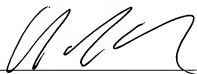
Furthermore, in the event that an extension of time is required, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this Response timely, and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to the above-noted Deposit Account and Order No.

Respectfully submitted,

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